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Attorney Docket No. 5000.301  
Confirmation No. 6091

PATENT

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re: David P. Malta et al.

Group Art Unit: 1765

Serial No. 10/628,189

Filed: July 28, 2003

For: GROWTH OF ULTRA-HIGH PURITY SILICON  
CARBIDE CRYSTALS IN AN AMBIENT CONTAINING  
HYDROGEN

February 25, 2004

MAIL STOP MISSING PARTS  
Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**PETITION FOR A TWO-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME  
UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) FOR SUBMITTING MISSING PARTS**

Sir:

The Applicant hereby petitions for a two-month extension of time for submitting the Declaration (listed in the Notice to File Missing Parts) for the above-identified application. The Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application is dated October 27, 2003. Applicant is given two months from the date of said Notice within which to file the missing parts (*i.e.*, *December 27, 2003*). This Petition thus requests that the date for the missing parts be extended to February 27, 2004.

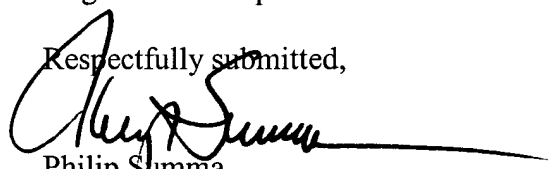
The required fee of \$420.00 [37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(2)] is enclosed; any additional fee or refund associated with this Petition may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 50-0332.

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Respectfully submitted,

  
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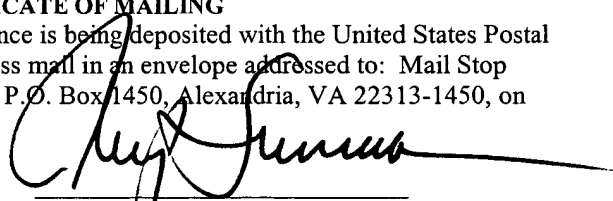
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